

**Community Development Committee
Regular Meeting
January 21, 2005 – 8:30 a.m.
Tribal Office Conference Room A**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call-

Committee Chairperson Ann Marie Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. Those present: Bernard Vigue, Rick Warrington, Dave Grignon, Pat Corn, Dave Corn and Susan Waukau. Jim Horton and Robert Lyons were absent. Also present for the meeting; Brian Tepiew, Sherry Murphy, Gwen Waukau, Debbie Webster, Renee Mahkimetas and Dave Bertram.

2. Moment of Silence-A moment of silence was observed.

3. Review Minutes Dated November 4, 2004-

Motion made by Bernard Vigue to approve the minutes dated November 4, 2004. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 3-absent. Motion carried.

4. Variance Request/Sherry Murphy-

Rick Warrington informed the committee that Sherry has a lot and purchased a trailer home to put on the lot but he couldn't approve it because the trailer is a 1961 model. The rules say that any trailer over 5 years old needs committee/Legislative approval.

Rick stated that for being such an old trailer, it is in very good condition. Committee members wanted to know if the electric was inspected. Rick stated that the trailer was not hooked up and he could not test it out. Committee needs a complete inspection before any action can be taken.

Motion made by Dave Grignon to table. Motion was seconded by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 3-absent. Motion carried.

5. Land Issue/Brian Tepiew-

Brian Tepiew was present to request a piece of land across from the Middle Village area. Brian stated that the reason he picked that area is because there are no other homes around and he doesn't want to live in Keshena, Neopit or South Branch. Brian stated that the crime rates are very high in the Housing development areas and would like a place where Housing will not put up any homes.

There were 2 problems with Brian's request. The 1st problem is that the area he picked has no sewer, water or electrical hook-ups and the perk test that was

already done in the area never passed and therefore sewer & water would not be allowed.

After a lengthy discussion committee members recommended to Brian that he look into a piece a land the tribe owns further down the road on G. Bernard stated that this year the area will be harvested and portions will be clear cut. Committee instructed Brian to work with Bernard on picking out a site.

The 2nd problem is that Brian would like 2 acre's of land and currently the Residential Policy only allows a person 1 acre. After discussing the issue, Brian agreed that 1 acre would be enough and will work with Bernard on the site.

**Chairperson Johnson was excused due to an MTL meeting at 9:00 a.m.
Bernard Vigue took over as Chair.**

6. Business Center/Renee Mahkimetas-

Renee was present on behalf of Mike Fish and Antoine Chevalier. Fish and Chevalier are looking into starting a portable toilet business on the reservation and would like the committee's guidance and to approve the request for a plot of land on the corner of Go Around Road and Chief Carron Road.

Committee members informed Renee that the area is set for water but not sewer and they would have to pay for the sewer hook up's themselves.

Susan arrived at 9:10 a.m.

Committee would like Renee to put a business plan together and bring it to the next meeting.

7. Bid Proposal-

Gwen Waukau and Debbie Webster were present to discuss with the committee their bid on the old Amoco Gas Station.

At a previous meeting committee recommended that the building be demolished but the Menominee Tribal Legislature did not approve the recommendation and asked that the building be put out for bids.

Gwen and Debbie were the only people to bid on the building and they would like to rent the building for a grill, laser tag and Debbie's Little Horse Amusements.

Bernard informed the committee that the cost of renovating the building at minimum would cost \$45,000.

Committee went into a lengthy discussion regarding the issue and decided to send it to the Budget Committee to see if there is funds available to renovate the building.

Motion made by Dave Corn to recommend that the renovation of the old Amoco Station go to the Budget & Finance Committee. Motion was seconded by Dave Grignon. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 3-absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Susan Waukau to go to other business. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 3-absent. Motion carried.

14. Other Business-

Dave Bertram was present from Alliant Energy to discuss the Zoar Electrical Feed. Dave informed the committee that the existing overhead line that feeds Zoar has been out 14 times in the last 4 years. To correct the problem Alliant proposes to install underground single phase 7200 volt electrical line in 2 parts. Dave provided the committee with a map and went over the exact process of what they would be doing.

Dave Bertram stated that when the lines go out in Zoar it sometimes takes them hours to get them going again just for the fact that they can't get to them. Dave also informed the committee that all expenses will be paid for by Alliant.

After discussing the issue, the committee made the following motion;

Motion made by Dave Corn to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature approval for the electrical line renovation on the lines to Zoar. Motion was seconded by Susan Waukau. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 3-absent. Motion carried.

Bernard Vigue informed the committee that he has a request from Ami Musloff asking if her dad can turn over his recreational waterfront lot over to her and turn it to residential so she can build a home on it. Currently Ami has her own lake lot but it did not pass the perk test and the land was found to be too soft to build a home. If approved, Ami has agreed to give up her lake lot.

Motion made by Dave Grignon to approve the lot transfer from Pete O'Kimosh to Ami Musloff. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Susan Waukau to go back to number eight. Motion was seconded by Pat Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 4-for, 0-opposed, 4-absent. Motion carried.

8. Neopit Head Start Facility Update-

Bernard Vigue informed the committee that he had put the building out for bids but no one showed any interest in the building. Bernard thought it might be kind of hard to get someone into the building because the heating costs are very high.

Committee members suggested that there could be a possibility of using the building for storage space for departments. Bernard will email everyone to find out if there is any interest.

9. Housing Development Sites-

In 2006 Housing is looking at building 24 tax credit homes. One of the issues is that not many people want another development like Middle Village, Warrington Addition, School View etc. There may be a possibility of scattering the homes.

Dave Corn will bring the issue to the Housing Committee and will decide whether or not to form a sub-committee.

10. Gasoline Information-

At a previous meeting Bernard Vigue was asked to come up with some numbers on what it would cost the Tribe to have pumps to sell tax-free gas to tribal members. Bernie looked at the issue and the price would be around \$109,000 for installation.

Bernard is going to come up with some better numbers and committee review them at the next meeting.

11. Trust Status Process/Bernard Vigue-

No discussion, no action taken.

12. Committee Goals & Objectives-

Committee members would like the Chair present to discuss the goals. No discussion, no action was taken.

13. Sub-Committee Updates-

No discussion, no action taken.

15. Adjournment-

Motion made by Dave Corn to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Dave Grignon. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye, 5-for, 0-opposed, 3-absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Legislative Staff Services